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Docket Number (Optional)
1403-0253P

In re Application of: Takuya HORIGUCHI et al.

Application No.: 10/625,591-Conf. #7954

Filed: July 24, 2003

For: RUBBER COMPOSITION AND PNEUMATIC TIRE USING THE SAME

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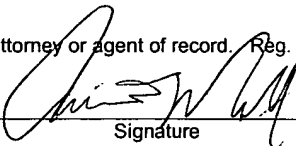
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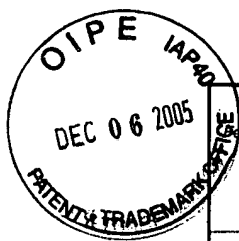
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FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2005		Application Number	10/625,591-Conf. #7954
		Filing Date	July 24, 2003
		First Named Inventor	Takuya HORIGUCHI
		Examiner Name	P. D. Mulcahy
		Art Unit	1713
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Attorney Docket No.	1403-0253P
TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT		(\$)	130.00

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FEE CALCULATION							
1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES							
	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		
		Small Entity		Small Entity		Small Entity	
Application Type	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fees Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	
2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES							
Fee Description						Small Entity	
						Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)						50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)						200	100
Multiple dependent claims						360	180
Total Claims		Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims		
12		- 20 =	x	=	Fee (\$)		Fee Paid (\$)
Indep. Claims		Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)			
1		- 3 =	x	=			
3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE							
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4. OTHER FEE(S)							
Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)						Fees Paid (\$)	
Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): 1814 Statutory Disclaimer						130.00	

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